

## Minutes

Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry asked how many kids would use the skate park. They believed that many kids would use the park, especially ones that are freshman at this time. Mr. Jarvis asked if they thought this may be a fad or if a younger generation would follow in their love of skateboarding. They stated that they have already seen many younger kids, maybe even elementary school age, skating in the area and they believe they will continue with their interest in the sport.

Mrs. Mershon asked if they would be available and interested in consulting with the design of the skate park. They responded affirmatively.

**Village Residents Comments:**

Five-minute limit per person

Jeffery Bond, of 146 Washington Street Apt C, stated that he supports the skate park and also wishes that the ice skating rink be taken off of the back burner as well. Mr. Bond also stated that the businesses that are looking to locate themselves in Canal Winchester need to be good corporate partners. It may not be in the best interest of the Village to bring in businesses with 120 month tax abatements.

**ORDINANCES:**

## FIRST Reading

Sponsor: Mrs. Mershon

O-10-08B AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE VILLAGE EMPLOYEE SALARY RANGES FOR 2009

Mrs. Mershon read the ordinance. First reading only.

Sponsor: Mr. Jarvis

O-10-08C AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2008 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 77-07 – AMENDMENT #4

Mr. Jarvis read the ordinance. First reading only.

Sponsor: Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry

0-10-08D AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS  
WITH THE DIRECTOR OF TRANSPORTATION NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE  
CANALWINCHESTER BIKEPATH PROJECT NUMBER PID 24805

Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry read the ordinance. First reading only.

Sponsor: Mr. Paini

O-10-08E AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH MCDANIEL'S CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR THE SLUDGE PRESS FACILITY PROJECT AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Paini moved to suspend the rules for second and third reading. Dr. Bender seconded the motion.

**VOTE:**       **AYES** Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,  
Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Mrs. Turner, Mr. Jarvis

## NAYS

Motion carried.

Mr. Paini moved to adopt Ordinance 56-08. Mrs. Mershon seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** **AYES** Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,  
Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Mrs. Turner, Mr. Jarvis

## NAYS

Motion carried.

O-10-08F AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR SERVICES WITH THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR DEMOLITION OF THE MARATHON GAS STATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Ed Leonard, Franklin County Treasurer, was present and stated that he has been working on this project for awhile first through the CIC and now with the Mayor and Village Staff. He stated that he was hoping to let the County use some of its resources to fund the demolition and that will allow the Village to save its resources to be used for redevelopment of the site.

Mrs. Turner moved to adopt 57-08. Mr. Paini seconded the motion.

## RESOLUTIONS

Sponsor: Mrs. Mershon

**\*\*\*Note: Because the application is due on October 31, 2008 we would ask that Council suspend the rules and consider this ordinance tonight.**

Mrs. Mershon moved to adopt Resolution # 15-08. Mr. Jarvis seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** **AYES** Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,  
Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Mrs. Turner, Mr. Jarvis  
**NAYS**  
Motion carried.

### THIRD Reading

Sponsor: Mrs. Turner

R-09-08B RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A FULLY-FUNDED RENEWAL OF THE CLEAN OHIO FUND BOND PACKAGE WHICH WILL BE PLACED ON THE NOVEMBER 4, 2008 BALLOT, IN ORDER TO MEET THE GROWING DEMAND FOR WATER AND GREEN SPACE CONSERVATION PROJECTS, BROWNFIELD REVITALIZATION, RECREATIONAL TRAIL DEVELOPMENT, FARMLAND PRESERVATION AND OTHER IMPORTANT PROJECTS RELATED TO THE CLEAN OHIO FUND

Mrs. Turner moved that we adopt Resolution 16-08. Mrs. Mershon seconded the motion.

**VOTE:**       **AYES** Dr. Bender, Mr. Deeds, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Paini,  
Ms. Rush-Ekelberry, Mrs. Turner, Mr. Jarvis

**NAYS** Motion carried.

**Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Ebert stated that a small committee was formed after the Committee of the Whole meeting to look at the Parks and Recreation issues. Mayor Ebert met with Dr. Bender and Mr. Paini and decided that it is time to move on and create a larger Committee including Staff members, Parks & Rec., Village residents, Council members and school district residents.

Mr. Paini stated that this Committee will be a large committee with 30-35 people and asked the media to help with getting residents involved. The commitment will be a once a month meeting for six months starting in January 2009. Anyone interested can call Bobbi at 837-7493 and leave their information with her. Once it is verified that they live within the village/school district, they will be contacted about their involvement.

Dr. Bender wanted to add that the hope is that the Committee can look at the current plan and see if changes need to be made, as well as, come up with a long-term plan.

**Public Works Director:** See written report.

**Development Director:**

Mr. Strayer noted that Council should have received an updated Downtown Inventory and Assessment Study that was completed with Old Town Committee.

Manifold & Phalor's application was tabled at the last meeting due to some questions about their pole build out on the site. They will come to the next meeting with their entire build out so it can be looked at and decided if any variances are needed.

CWICC will be meeting this week.

We made it into the Cincinnati Enquirer travel section this week.

**Community Affairs Director:**

Within two weeks, residents should be receiving the survey in the mail and a press release was sent out to the media.

Ms. Hoover will be attending City and County Communications and Marketing conference this week.

**Village Solicitor:**

Mr. Hollins passed out new JEDD information. After Bloom Township declined involvement, Pickerington, Violet Township and Canal Winchester took another look at the JEDD and decided that there were not major revisions needed to the JEDD document. The JEDD has had its first reading to full council in Pickerington and they are planning on scheduling a new public hearing without Bloom Township.

At this time, the intention is to continue to present it to respective Councils and get the authority to sign the agreement, if so inclined. The agreement, however, will *not* be signed until after a time at which a petition is received from a land owner. Discussion ensued regarding the aspects and advantages of the JEDD.

It was decided that the Finance Committee will take on this issue at their next meeting. A Public Hearing may be held in conjunction with Violet Township and Pickerington.

**Fairfield County Sheriff:**

Sgt. Kern read his report.

**Finance Director:**

Ms. Osborn included the 2008 financial statement was included in the Council packets. Nothing further to report.

**Council Reports:**

Old Town Committee

Monday, November 10, 2008 at 5:45 PM

- Interurban building bids will be opening next week.
- The updated Property Assessment report was discussed.
- Main Street program went through the State Preservation Office for a 1 for 1 grant and is hoping that the Village will become involved and make it a 2 to 1 matching grant for cosmetic changes and updates to the exterior/curb appeal of downtown businesses. The Village's portion of the grant money would be \$8000 and it is a one time only grant.

Finance Committee

Monday, November 3, 2008 at 5:45 PM

Service Committee

Monday, November 17, 2008 at 5:45 PM

- Columbus Street is almost complete. Tree planting will take place in November.
- The fence at Westchester Park is completed.
- The water tower contracts are being finalized.
- The sludge press building will be built by December.
- Waste management has volunteers that offered to clean the creeks and roadways on a regular basis. This is great to see a business partner with the community in such a way.
- Results for the funding of the Gender Road improvements will come out in November.
- Highland petition was discussion, but due to timing and engineering results it will not be on the 2009 agenda, but will continue to be on the 2010 CIP.

Safety Committee

Monday, November 10, 2008 at 5:00 PM

- Skateboard Park was discussed. The concept plan puts it at Hanners Park between Groveport Rd and the parking area.
- "Pocket Parks" are being looked at being put in Ashbrook Village, Canal Cove, etc. areas around the Village.

**New Business:**

Focus Group Results – Mr. Strayer gave a presentation on the results of the Focus groups held on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of October. A packet was distributed and presented by Mr. Strayer. (See attached packet)

Getting through Planning and Zoning is an easier process than in many of the central Ohio communities but there can still be some improvement in that area.

Marketing needs to be addressed toward areas outside of the southeast side of Columbus on a regional level, not only for economic development, but for tools for our events and facilities.

The overall consensus was that Canal Winchester is a “rising star” within Central Ohio for economic development, moving in the right direction to achieve realistic goals, maintaining growth and holding itself to high standards.

**Old Business:** None at this time

**Adjourn to Executive Session:** Not needed at this time.

**Adjournment:**

Mr. Jarvis moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Paini seconded the motion.  
Time out: 8:43pm.

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Clerk of Council

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President of Council

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Date

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Mayor

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